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In re Patent Application of:  
Kiyoshi Kimura

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Examiner: Charles Goodman

**APPLICANT'S COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR  
ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the May 17, 2006 Notice of Allowance and Allowability regarding the above-identified application. Entry of the Statement into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence in the reasoning stated by the Examiner. Each of the claims stands on its own merits and is patentable because of the combination it recites and not because of the presence or absence of any one particular element.

The Examiner's Statement was not prepared by Applicant and only contains the Examiner's possible positions and characterizations of references. Thus, any interpretation with respect to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be imputed to the Applicant.

Otherwise, Applicant agrees with the Examiner that the claimed invention is allowable over the prior art.

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Respectfully submitted,

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